GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3040
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Hindi in Missions Abroad
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

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(a) the number of persons taught Hindi by the Indian Missions abroad during each of the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the country-wise details of regional Hindi conferences held abroad and the amount spent for the same during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the amount spent on publication of books, CDs, etc. for promotion of Hindi abroad during the last three years, year-wise along with the success achieved in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
[GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

(a) the number of persons taught Hindi by the Indian Missions abroad during the last three years are as under:

Year No. of Persons
2012-13 2623
2013-14 3025
2014-15 3289

(b) the country wise details of the Regional Hindi Conferences held abroad and the amount spent for the same during the last three years are as under:

Year Country Amount (in Rs.)
2012-13 NIL NIL
2013-14 South Korea 22,00,000/-
Thailand 13,50,000/-
2014-15 United States of America 24,02,834/-
Russia 16,25,951/-
Mauritius 17,26,982/-

(c) the amounts spent on the publication of the books, CDs etc. for promotion of Hindi abroad during the last three years are as under:

Year Amount (in Rs.)
2012-13 68,69,389/-
2013-14 84,49,753/-
2014-15 53,74,121/-

Publication and distribution of these books/CDs has helped in popularizing, propagating and promoting Hindi abroad and has created greater interest amongst the foreigners in learning Hindi.